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WEDNESDAY, JULY 15, 1998

ROCHESTER RHINOS

VS NY/NJ METROSTARS



TONIGHT'S MATCH! THE NEW YORK/NEW JERSEY METROSTARS - ARGUABLY MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER'S MOST VISIBLE TEAM - MAKE THEIR FIRST APPEARANCE EVER TONIGHT AT ROCHESTER'S FRONTIER FIELD... WITH A ROSTER FEATURING INTERNATIONALLY-KNOWN STARS LIKE ALEXI LALAS, TAB RAMOS, AND TONY MECOLA, THE METROSTARS (9-9) ARE ENJOYING THEIR MOST SUCCESSFUL MLS SEASON YET, BATTLING FOR SECOND PLACE IN MLS'S EASTERN CONFERENCE... THE METROS ENTER TONIGHT'S MATCH HAVING LOST TWO STRAIGHT... THEY DROPPED A 2-1 DECISION TO THE TAMPA BAY MUTINY (5-14) ON JULY 11, AND A 1-0 FOURTH OF JULY MATCH TO THE COLORADO RAPIDS (9-9) IN FRONT OF 46,722 AT DENVER'S MILE HIGH STADIUM... TONIGHT'S MATCH IS BILLED AS A "FRIENDLY" (EXHIBITION MATCH), BUT THINGS COULD GET ANYTHING BUT FRIENDLY WHEN BIZING UP THE METROS' OPPONENT... THE ROCHESTER RAGING RHINOS (15-1), WHO CURRENTLY LEAD THE ENTIRE A-LEAGUE IN THE STANDINGS, WOULD LOVE TO EXACT SOME MLS REVENGE FOR THEIR RECENT U.S. OPEN CUP TOURNAMENT LOSS AT THE HANDS OF THE COLUMBUS CREW... ROCHESTER IS 2-3 ALL-TIME AGAINST MLS TEAMS... THE RHINOS HAVE SCORED EIGHT GOALS AND ALLOWED ONE IN THEIR LAST TWO MATCHES, VICTORIES OVER THE ATLANTA RUCCUS (3-13) AND STATEN ISLAND VIPERS (7-6)...

TILLEY TAKES LEAGUE HONORS! THE A-LEAGUE ANNOUNCED LAST NIGHT THAT RHINOS FORWARD DARREN TILLEY HAS BEEN HONORED AS THE A-LEAGUE PLAYER OF THE WEEK FOR HIS PERFORMANCE DURING THE WEEK OF JULY 5... TILLEY SCORED THE RHINOS ONLY GOAL IN THEIR 2-1 OVERTIME LOSS TO THE COLUMBUS CREW IN THE THIRD ROUND OF THE U.S. OPEN CUP TOURNAMENT... ON FRIDAY, JULY 10, THE 31-YEAR-OLD KEYNSHAM, ENGLAND NATIVE SCORED TWO GOALS AND COLLECTED AN ASSIST IN ROCHESTER'S 4-0 SHELLACKING OF THE ATLANTA RUCCUS... THEN ON SUNDAY, TILLEY KNOCKED IN TWO MORE, INCLUDING THE GAME-WINNER, IN THE RHINOS' 4-1 WIN OVER THE STATEN ISLAND VIPERS... THE 1997 A-LEAGUE SECOND TEAM ALL-STAR CURRENTLY RANKS 16TH IN THE A-LEAGUE AND SECOND ON THE RHINOS IN SCORING, WITH 17 POINTS (7+3=17)...

WHAT IF?: ON FEBRUARY 1, 1998, THE A-LEAGUE DRAFT WAS HELD AT THE AIRPORT HILTON IN FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA... IN THE THIRD ROUND, THE RHINOS SELECTED MIKE PETKE, A 22-YEAR-OLD DEFENDER OUT OF SOUTHERN CONNECTICUT STATE... THE BOHEMIA, NEW YORK NATIVE HAD ALSO BEEN SELECTED BY THE METROSTARS AS THE EIGHTH OVERALL PICK IN THE 1998 MLS DRAFT... PETKE (1+1=2) HAS STARTED THE LAST 15 MATCHES FOR THE METROS, AND THE TEAM IS 9-6 WITH HIM IN THE STARTING LINE-UP... THE METROSTARS ACQUIRED THE EIGHTH PICK IN THE MLS DRAFT BY TRADING ROCHESTER NATIVE BRIAN BLISS TO THE KANSAS CITY WIZARDS...

A BLAST FROM THE PAST! METROSTARS HEAD COACH ALFONSO MONDELO IS NO STRANGER TO FRONTIER FIELD... MONDELO SPENT LAST SEASON AS HEAD COACH OF THE LONG ISLAND ROUGH RIDERS, THE TEAM THAT OUSTED ROCHESTER, TWO GAMES TO NONE, IN A FIRST-ROUND A-LEAGUE PLAYOFF MATCHUP... THE ROUGH RIDERS WERE 2-1 AGAINST ROCHESTER DURING THE 1997 REGULAR SEASON, AND THEIR ONLY WIN AT FRONTIER FIELD CAME DURING THE PLAYOFFS... METROSTARS GOALKEEPER TONY MECOLA (9-9, 1.78 GAA) AND FORWARD GIOVANNI SAVARESE (8+5=13) PLAYED FOR LONG ISLAND BEFORE MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER EXISTED, AND MIDFIELDER JIM RODNEY (7+4=11) WAS A MEMBER OF THE 1997 ROUGH RIDERS SQUAD...

RHINOS RAMBLINGS: THE RHINOS HAVE OUTSCORED A-LEAGUE OPPONENTS BY A COUNT OF 36-6 AND THE TEAM'S 15 REGULAR-SEASON VICTORIES IS A NEW FRANCHISE HIGH... METROSTARS MIDFIELDER TAB RAMOS FLEW INTO ROCHESTER TODAY AFTER APPEARING ON THE VIEW WITH BARBARA WALTERS THIS MORNING IN NEW YORK... GETTING THE START IN GOAL TONIGHT FOR ROCHESTER IS BILLY ANDRACKO, WHO SPENT TWO MONTHS WITH THE METROSTARS EARLIER THIS SEASON... ANDRACKO RECORDED A SHUTOUT IN HIS FIRST APPEARANCE THIS SEASON WITH THE RHINOS, FRIDAY'S 4-0 WIN OVER ATLANTA... FORWARD OGLUS MILLER (HAMSTRING) IS EXPECTED TO MISS TONIGHT'S MATCH... MIDFIELDER TOMMY TANNER AND DEFENDER SCOTT SCHWEITZER ARE ALSO QUESTIONABLE FOR TONIGHT WITH HAMSTRING INJURIES... THE METROS WILL BE WITHOUT DEFENDERS JEFF ZAUN (TORN ABDOMINAL MUSCLE) AND RNEYT HARDY (AGGRAVATED DISC IN BACK)... DEFENDER MARK SERIOLI IS DAY-TO-DAY WITH A BROKEN RIGHT TOE, AND TAB RAMOS (LEFT KNEE PAIN) IS PROBABLE FOR TONIGHT'S MATCH... THE METROSTARS RETURN TO MLS PLAY ON SUNDAY WHEN THEY HOST COLUMBUS (9-6)... THE RHINOS' NEXT A-LEAGUE MATCH IS SUNDAY AT THE TORONTO LYNX (6-10). THE MATCH WILL BE TELEVIEWED ON THE EMPIRE SPORTS NETWORK, TIME WARNER CHANNEL 52, AT 2:00 P.M... TONIGHT'S MATCH WILL ALSO BE TELEVIEWED ON THE EMPIRE SPORTS NETWORK... KICK-OFF TONIGHT IS SCHEDULED FOR 7:35 P.M...



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ROCHESTER RAGING RHINOS TEAM STATISTICS

THROUGH GAMES OF 07/13/98

PLAYER	POS	GP	G	A	PTS	MIN	FLS	CAUT	EJEC	SHOTS
ALLNUYT, YARI	M	15	8	2	16	1241	28	2	0	31
TILLEY, DARREN	F	12	7	3	17	862	13	3	0	29
MILLER, DOUG	F	12	6	1	13	1004	6	0	0	37
GLENN, JIMMY	F	8	4	2	10	476	1	0	0	14
DALIGCON, NATE	M	15	3	3	9	589	8	1	0	9
KIRKSE, MIKE	M	13	1	3	5	382	5	1	0	12
DASILVA, MAURO	D	12	1	2	4	1041	10	0	1	9
TANNER, TOMMY	M	15	1	2	4	1319	22	3	0	18
STEENKAMP, LENIN	M	15	1	2	4	1339	26	1	0	31
HARDY, TIM	D	15	1	2	4	1299	17	4	1	3
MCKAY, YOGI	M	16	1	2	4	1118	14	0	0	7
BRITTON, MIKE	M	3	1	0	2	89	3	0	0	4
WALTON, MALI	D	13	0	2	2	958	11	0	0	2
SCHWEITZER, SCOTT	D	16	0	2	2	1433	21	1	0	4
DEMMIN, CRAIG	D	16	0	1	1	1478	13	1	0	0
ALAMO, EZIKIEL	M	10	0	0	0	132	2	1	0	1
DAUDA, FUSEINI	D	3	0	0	0	126	0	0	0	2
DIETRICH, KIRK	F	1	0	0	0	23	0	0	0	0
MERCUR, JOE	D	1	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	0
ANDRACKI, BILLY	GK	1	0	0	0	90	0	0	0	0
ONSTAD, PAT	GK	15	0	0	0	1388	0	0	0	0
TOTALS		16	36	28	100	1478	199	18	2	213
OPPONENT TOTALS		16	6	4	16	1478	237	33	3	121

PLAYER	GP	MIN	GAA	W	L	SHO	GA	SAVES	SHOTS	SV	FAC
ANDRACKI, BILL	1	90	0.00	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	0
ONSTAD, PAT	15	1388	0.39	14	1	9	6	49	116	0	0
TEAM TOTALS	16	1478	0.37	15	1	10	6	51	116	0	0



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BRIAN O'DONNELL
HEAD TRAINER: BRIAN MIKESELL
EQUIPMENT MGR: FRANK POLI

NO	NAME	POS
1	TONY MEOLA	GK
32	KEVIN EAST	GK
2	JEFF ZAUN	D
3	MARK SEMIDLI	D
4	DIEGO SONGRA	D/M
5	ARLEY PALACIOS	D
6	MIKE SORBER	M
8	MIKE DUHANEY	D
9	MARCELO VEGA	M
10	TAB RAMOS	M
12	MIKE PETKE	D
13	JIM ROONEY	M
15	RHETT HARTY	D
16	RAMIRO CORRALES	D
17	GIOVANNI SAVARESE	F
19	MILES JOSEPH	M/F
20	BRIAN KELLY	M
21	KERRY ZAVAGNIN	D
22	ALEXI LALAS	D
24	BILLY WALSH	M
27	BARRY SWIFT	F
29	EDUARDO HURTADO	F

ROCHESTER
RHINOS: 15-1
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NORTHEAST DIVISION
A-LEAGUE

PRESIDENT: FRANK DUROSS
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HEAD TRAINER: CRAIG RAND

NO	NAME	POS
0	RETT THOMPSON	GK
1	BILLY ANDRACKI	GK
25	PAT ONSTAD	GK
29	JOSH FREEMAN	GK
2	MAURD DASILVA	D
3	CRAIG DEMMIN	D
4	SCOTT SCHWEITZER	D
6	MALI WALTON	D
8	TOMMY TANNER	M
9	MIKE BRITTON	D
10	YARI ALLNUTT	M
12	MICHAEL KIRMSE	M
13	YOGI MCKAY	M
15	EZIKIEL ALAMO	M
17	FUSEINI DAUDA	D
18	JIMMY GLENN	F
19	DOUG MILLER	F
20	NATE DALIGCON	M
21	JOE MERCIK	D
22	MICHAEL DOMM	F
23	LENIN STEENKAMP	M
24	KIRK DIETRICH	F
26	DARREN TILLEY	F
27	TIM HARDY	D

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